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Remarks

Claims 1-15 are pending. Claims 1-15 are rejected. Claims 16 and 17 are new.

Support for new claims 16 and 17 may be found, for example, on page 23, lines 1-28 of the Application.

Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101. Claims 1-9 and 13-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Pub. No. 2001/0034611 (Ooya) and U.S. Pat. No. 5,664,183 (Cirulli). Claims 10-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ooya, Cirulli and U.S. Pub. No. 2003/0191687 (Pavone).

Claims 1-15 have been cancelled.

Ooya and Cirulli do not appear to teach all the limitations of claims 16 and 17. (Applicant's Attorney notes that Pavone does not appear to be prior art because of its filing date.) Applicant's Attorney submits that the claims are in a condition for allowance. Applicant's Attorney respectfully requests a notice to that effect.

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